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Gen.^l Wests order,
that the Captains or Commanding officers of
Every Company of the forces now stationed at Bristol
turn out their respective Companies at seven of the
Clock in the morning and three of the Clock
in the afternoon and Exercise them and see that
their Guns are in good order and that each Adjutant
see that the Capt takes a Copy of the above orders

Generell Wests order, Camp December 27th 1776
whereas there has been sundry Complaints made of the
Disorderly Behaviour of the Soldiers in this Camp their
Burning the fences Profane Cursing and Swearing
Rangling Gaming Drunkenness and Misdemeanour
therefor, in order to put a stop to future offences
of this like nature I do hereby Enjoin and
Command each and every Capt in this Camp
to keep a strict watch over their Soldiers and to take
up and secure each and every Soldier found committing
either of the above Offences in the Pound Yard

to this Order it is with great Pleasure the
Gen^l assigns the officers of the Standing Troops
and Militia that nothing gives him greater
Satisfaction than to observe their attention to the
Discipline and Order of the Troops Learning Soldiers
to March with a soldierly air to move with Ease
and Grace Being a Essential Part of Militia
art and must afford such Pleasure to the
officers and Satisfaction to the Soldiers them selves
that the Gen^l cannot in the least doubt a continuation
of efforts of Every hand to carry it to the highest
Point of Perfection the Rolls of Every Company will
be called over Every morning and even in the
Evening all Persons absent without Leave to be
Immediately Confin'd unless he can give a

that they may be sent with the rest of
the men in such cases as the Regiment are
to parade at Headquarters the afternoon after
of the Week to do the distance of the distance
to be sent according to order may be sent
All Officers of the Day
Major J. B. B. B.

Head Quarters the 5th June 1778
full officer of the Day tomorrow Major Willson
Adjut. of the Day Franklin Details as
yesterday the Pole and Counter sign will
be delivered to the officer of the Day ~~only~~
at Providence By y^e Adjut Gener^l at San
sett who is to furnish the officers of all the
Guard with Pole and those of the out
guard only with the Counter sign -
as nothing is so becoming in a soldier as neatness
in dress the Gen^l recommends to the Soldiers
to attend to their Dress and keep it as
Clean and neat as possible to Wash and Shave
them selves Every Day if their Duty
will Permitt to Dress their hair Daily
and to Run down their selves Respectably
By their appearance and Behaviour Enjoining
it upon their Officers to see their men attend

Give A ~~Thunell~~ Excuse to his Command^y
officer the Orders of the Day to be Read to
the Troops Every after noon and again in
the morning at Rouse Call those officers
who are on Guard or other Duty are
not to Dismiss their men on their Return
till the orders Issued in their absence
are Read to them the Orders who may
Be absent are Immediately upon their
Return to acquaint themselves with the orders
Issued in their absence now Plea of —
Ignorance of orders will Be admitted in
future

Headquarters 6th June AD 5778 -
Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Col Mathewson
Adj^t for the Day Recd Details as yesterday

Head Quarters of 8th June AD 1778.
Field Officer of the Day tomorrow
Lieut Col. Angel Adj^t for the Day
Franklin
Details as yesterday

A Gen. Court Marshall to sit
tomorrow morning 9. O'clock at
Hacken Hall to try such Persons as shall
be Brought Before them
Col Mathewson President

President

Major Wilton
Capt Reynolds
Capt Weston
Capt J. Mague
Capt D. Mague
Lieut Dorrence

Members

Lieut Brown
Lieut Seigler
Lieut Elliot
Lieut Collins
Enr Tucker
Enr Colwell

Capt West Judge Advocate Adjt Conner
to see the Court properly attended on
Headquarters June the 8. 1778. - it is with great Grief
and astonishment the Generall hears of a party
who were Detached to Bring in Delinquents going
to one of the friends meetings and with fixed Bayonets
Apprehending and Bringing out Sum of these People
who had been Draughted to Serve in the Militia though
the Party were held to Execute the orders they Received from
the officers who Detached them yet A Regard for the Publick
Worship of God. and the Common Rules of Decency
must have Convinced them that such a Proceeding
could not But be Disagreeable to him
and to Every other officer.

he is fully Convinced that now officers gave Directions
for such Proceedure. therefore Requests the officers to give
him Informations if they Possibly Can what Party was
guilty of this surprising Conduct the Gen^l expects
that Every order Given by him in future be strictly
and Literly Obedy and that the officers to whom any
affairs Respecting the army are Intrusted see that the
Orders ~~are~~ are Carried into Execution as they will be
Answerable for any Mistake or neglect the Gen^l
Orders in an army are Given to ~~summarily~~
amend sum Defect by Making ~~the~~ New or
Different Regulations as they are Issued in consequence
of Intelligance. Received By the Commander in
Chief Respecting the Views and Intentions of the
Enemy and if those orders are not indiatly
obeyed the Commanding Officers may find it too
Late an over that his orders were not Obedy and
Must expect to be Censured By the world in Gen^l
for not attending to the Intelligance. Received
Wherein Truth the whole misfortune May have
ben Produced By some of the officers acting under
him ^{being} attentive to his orders

Head Quarters 9th June 1778

Field officer of the Day Tomorrow Major
Kimball Adj^t for the Day Head —

Details as yesterday It is ~~with great~~

Surprising the Gen^l observes of Late that
not only the Inferiours officers But officers
Commanding Guard make a Practice
of Leaving their Post & Returning to
their Quarters to Refresh themselves A
Practice Wholly unbecoming the Character
of an officer and Directly Contrary
to the Safety of the Camp in future
No officers will on any Pretence
Leave his Guard without an order from
Proper authority nor will suffer any of
his Guard to Be absent excepting
numbers sufficient to bring Prisoners
for those who remain at their Posts —

any officers who shall be found
disobeying their orders may Depend
on being tryed by a court martial
and cashiered

Head Quarters June the 10th 1778
the Soldiers who have enlisted from the
Militia into the artillery or other standing
regiments are to join their respective
corps immediately. The soldiers of the Militia
who have drawn arms or ammunition are
to return the same to their officers who
are to make Returns to Col^l Mathewson
who is to see it returned to the Commissary
of military stores

Those Persons who have drawn arms or
ammunition and do not return them
may Depend upon having their wages
stopped till the articles drawn are
accounted for

the officers of the Different Guards are
to apply to the officer of the Day for
Directions Respecting their duties the
officer of the Day will apply to head
Quarters at five of the clock Every after
noon for the Role and Counter sign
and other necessary Instructions that he
may be able to furnish the Different Guards
with their orders he will also attend on
the Grand Parade to see Every Guard and
Party that shall be ordered Complied
and Marched to their several Stations
it is Expected Every Party will be Complied
to the numbers ordered in the Detail
ordered from Head Quarters
the Quartermaster Generall to see

that four of the Best Guns which are
mounted on Garrison Carriages —
and are not designed for the ships
are ^{to be} sent two to field Point and two
to Hittell Point

Major Van Cottelan to see that the ships
now at the wharf be removed
and anchored between field Point and
Hittell Point for which Purpos he is to
employ such officers men and Boats
as he thinks proper the Quartermaster
and other officers to supply him with such
articles as he shall require
Major Morrice to oversee the fixing and
getting down the River and the ship
now lying in the Channil and moving
her as a guard ship near the two points
before mentioned

to affect ^{in which} he will order such officers men
and Boats as he ~~will~~ shall find
Necessary - - -

the Quartermaster Generall and all
other officers will afford him what
assistance he may Request - - -

The Asst. General will see that proper
guards are placed on Board these
ships and at the two Points of exit
there this after noon - - -

Colonel Skib to see that the Pieces placed
on the Points are supplied with twenty
rounds of ammunition each and four
artillery men under the command of
a corporal to be posted at these two points
the Quartermaster Generall will immediately
send ninety spears from the Redoubt in
land to the fort at Patuxet
field officers for the Day Tomorrow

Lt Col Peabody Adj't for the Day
 Richmond Details for Guard
 Gen'l Guard of Com Sub Serjt George Buff. Pa
 Main Guard -- 1 - 2 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 9
 file point -- 0 - 1 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 30
 post point -- 0 - 1 - 1 - 2 - 1 - 18
 Total -- 1 - 4 - 6 - 8 - 5 - 97

Head Quarters 11th June 1878
 field officer of the Day Tomorrow
 Lt Col. Angel Adj't for the Day
 Franklin Details as yesterday
 at a Generall Courtmartial of which
 Col. Mathewson as President was Tryed
 John Brown and Joseph Barton Both
 of Col. Miller's Regiment for Refusing to
 do military duty when called on
 the Prisoners Plead that their Religious

Principals for bid them taking up arms
to Confirm which they are willing to take
the oath Prescribed by the authority of the
State for tendercongers the Court therefore
Judge upon their taking the above oath
mentioned Oath they be Released from
their Confinement Also Perry Wheaton
of the same Regiment and for the same
Crime who plead not guilty the Court
upon Examination found the Evidence
not sufficient to support the Charge
and adjudged that they be Dismissed
the Gen. approves the above Judgment
and Orders the Prisoners Dismissed
the above Courtmarshell is Directed
At Gen. Courtmarshell to sit
tomorrow morning at Harker hall

to my such Discretion as shall be
brought before them
Col. Eliot President

Lut Col Raby
Majr Talbot
Majr Thimball
Capt Reynolds
Capt Guile
Capt Snow

members

Capt Abney
Lut Remington
Lut Dornence
Lut Elliot
Lut Wheaton
Lut Brown

Capt Relys Judge Advocate
Adj't Carver to attend the Court

Head Quarters. 12th June 1778

Field Officers for the Day tomorrow. Major
Willson. Adj. for the Day Read & last
as yesterday. It is expected as has been only
in order on Duty that they be properly
informed before they march from the Grand
Road.

Details for Guard

Gen. Guard 0 - 0 - 1 - 1 - 0 - 8

11 Guard 1 - 2 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 40

~~Field Point~~ 0 - 0 - 1 - 2 - 1 - 20

Field Point 0 - 0 - 1 - 1 - 0 - 12

Head Quarters Providence the 13th June 1778

Field Officers of the Day tomorrow Col. Matthewson

Adj. Franklin Details as yesterday

The Troops that have enlisted into this
late Regiment are not to join their Corps
until they the Genl. Positive order

At the Gen^l Court Marshall of which
Col^o Eliot is a Resident was Tryed
Philip Mowry & David Mowry of Col^o
Browns Right of Militia for Refusing
to do military Duty when Called on
the Prisoners Plead Guilty and said
it was Contrary to their Religious Principles
to take up arms also Refused to take
the Oath of Allegiance by the authority
of this State but for People of tender
Conscience the Court therefore adjudged
therefore that they be fined the Sum
of forty Pounds Each to be Paid to the town
Clarke for the Purpos of hiring other
Persons to serve for the towns to which
they belong and be in Prison untill
the monney be Paid the Gen^l approves
the Judgment of the Court and orders

it to take place immediately.

Beloved Carpenter an Inhabitant of
Pownall on the Grants tried for joining
the Enemy in the Northern Department
Plead Guilty the Court from the Prisoner
opening and Confessing & intenced him
to Receive fifty L^s off his on his Neck.
Back the Execution of the Intence
against Carpenter was Banned till
further Orders Eleazer Hatheway tried
for Wishing the Town of Providence
on fire Plead Guilty and saith it was
spoken in a passion in Consequence of abuse
he had Rec^d from some of the Inhabitants
the Court therefore adjudge that he be
Released from his Confinement
the Court Direct that he be Dismissed

after Being Soverley Repremaned
By one of Aid, —

Daniel Perren. Guner in Capt Calles
Camp? Tryed for Throwing a Blazing
Port fire near the Laboratory the
Court upon Examination of the
Prisoner found that he was guilty
of the crime alledged against
him But are Convinced that it
was Done through Ignorence they
therefore Adj. dged that he Be Soverley
Repremaned By List Remington
and Dymised the Gen. A probes the
Judgment of the Court and orders
that the Prisoner Be Repremaned
By List Remington this afternoon
at six of the Clock then Dymised
from his Confinement

of the Determination

the Determination of the Court
Against Silas Hatheway and Silas Terry
Two Prisoners accused of being Enemies
to America for certain Reasons
will not be Published at present
from both officers and Soldiers, they ^{return} ~~return~~
Prisoners since the first of Last January
will be Paid at the Rate of one
third of a Dollar

Head Quarters of 14th of June 1778

Field officer for the Day to morrow Lieut.
Col. Angell & Lieut. ~~Franklin~~ for the Day
Franklin Detail as yesterday
The ~~S~~ inhabitants of this & the adjacent
towns who are possessors of Horses, are desired
immediately on an alarm to Repair on horse back

to the place where the Enemy ~~the~~ make
the Attack

Head Quarters, 15 of June, 1798.

Present officers of the Day to morrow Regt.
Kimball Adj't Genl. Day Read Detail of yesterday
Samuel Warner is appointed first Lieut. to the
Westmoreland Guard Ship, commanded by Cap^t Clark
and Lieut. Lemont Second Lieutenant, they are
to be obeyed by such the Adjutants of the
Regiments stationed in town are directed to
collect every seaman & ~~person~~ person acquainted
with Boats that be long to their Regt.
or bring them at Head Quarters at three of the
o'clock this afternoon the officer who have enlisted
Soldiers in to the several Regiments belonging to
the State since the thirty first of last may
are immediately to make return to Head Quarters
of the number names, and towns from which
they came. the General Court martial of which
C^{pt} Elliott was president is dissolved

Head Quarters Providence ²³ July 1778
Sick officer for the Day to morrow Lt Col^d
Wood, Adj^t for the Day to morrow Read
I daily ~~appoint~~ for Guard, as usual all the
troops in this Department are to have two
Days provisions constantly continually by them
one half of which is to be ready so that
there may no delay for cooking when they are
called to march — the officers will see that
their men, arms are put in the best order
for use & that each man is immediately supply^d
with twenty four Rounds of Cartridge suited to
his muskett all the troops in town will appear
on the Ground parade this afternoon at 3 o'clock
to be reviewed.

Head Quarters Providence ²⁴ of July 1778
Sick officer for the Day to morrow Mag^r Pennell
Adj^t for the Day Sharley I stay for Guard
as yesterday — the Col^d of the Light horse
to station his horse in the following manner

Will further order (viz) three at a time

Until further Order, (viz) three at Pawtuxett
three at ~~Providence~~ Warwick, three at East
Greenwich three at ~~W~~ Wick, New town, three
at Tower Hill & ~~three~~ three at Point Judith
one horse at each post to be ready saddled and
bridled night and day, for the purpose of receiving
or carrying ~~Letters~~ Letters, to and from Head Quarters, which
they are to convey from post to post with all
possible Expedition three more of the ~~horse~~ horse to be
stationed at Pawtuxett three at ~~Providence~~
Bristol three at ~~Providence~~ ~~Providence~~ & three at Milford
Bridge for the same purpose & to hold them ready
in Equil Readiness the best of the horse to be
stationed in Providence Copies of those orders, to be
sent to General Cornul & Col: Green who are to
communicate them to their out Posts, the Guard
Post upon the Shore to be exceedingly vigilant &
to give the Earliest intelligence of any movement
of the Enemy — The R. M. Genl will call on
the Commanders of Regt & Corps who are directed
to turn out every Carpenter under their Command,
that he may immediately employ them in
Building flatbottom Boats —

After Genl. order, the sentence of the Court
martial whereof Col: Elliott was President
Against manfield allen & Daniel Corey the
General totally disapproves as illegal and absurd

the clearest evidence having appeared to the Court that said Allen was employed by the Enemy & patently to come on the main of a spy & that he enticed men to go on to Rhode-Island to enlist into the Enemy's Service & his own confession from day to day being so different as to prove him not only a spy but to be the Person in whom the least confidence cannot be placed. The Court having found him guilty of all this nothing could be more absurd than to sentence him to be whipped ~~with~~ ^{or} one hundred Lashes and after wards to be taken into ~~the~~ ^{or} Service which he has long been endeavouring in the most Malicious & Secret Manner to Injure.

The man that is found guilty of acting as a Spy can have but one Judgment by all the Laws of War - Which is to suffer Death - and Sentencing a man that is found of this Crime is as absurd as the common Law Courts to Order a man to Lye in the Stocks for

Willful Murder —

The same absurdity appearing in the
Judgment against Daniel Covey for the
same Reasons ~~for the same~~ Disapproves
them both, Dissolves the Courts and Orders an
other Court to set for trial of those Persons
to morrow morning at Nine o'clock. —

The Adjutant General to Lodge a
Crime against Allen & Covey as a Spy the
Papers and Proceeding of the former Court
to be delivered over to the President of the
Court that is to Set to morrow morning

A Gen court Martial to Set to morrow
morning nine o'clock at Hackers Hall to try
such Prisoners as shall be brought before
them — ~~Col Ward President~~

~~Lt Col. Penhaly~~
~~Majr Gilbert~~
~~Capt Smith~~
~~Lt Griffith~~

~~Capt Palmer~~
~~Capt Hatan~~
~~Capt Gibe~~

Col. Ward President

Lieut. Col. Peabody

Major Talbot

Capt. Lamb

Capt. Griffith

Capt. Palmer

Capt. Morton

Members

Capt. ~~Giles~~ Worthen

Capt. G. Ladd

Lieut. Lovett

Lt. Matteson

Lt. Wheaton

Lt. Rogers

Capt. West Judge Advocate
to attend the Court

- old, t. Carver

Head Quarters Providence 25th July 1778

Field officer of the Day to morrow Lt. Col.

Peabody old, t. for the Day Read Detail for Guard
as yesterday

Head Quarters Providence 26th of July 1778

Field officer for the Day to morrow Major

Rennold old, t. for the Day Detail
for Guard as yesterday

At a General
Court martial held yesterday by order of Major -
General Sullivan was tried Mansfield Allen
a spy from the Enemy on Rhode Island
The Court upon examination
of the Evidence & Allens own Confession
find him Guilty of the Crime alleged -

against him & sentence him to be hanged
by the Neck untill he is dead the General
approves the sentence of the Court against
Manfield & then the time of his Execution^{on}
will be published in future order.

Samuel Core, tried by the same Court on suspicion
of Being a Spy from the Enemy plead not
Guilty the Court upon examination of the
Prisoner & the several Evidence brought

Before them are of opinion that he is not
guilty the General approves the Judgment
of the Court but directs that the Prisoner
be kept confined untill further order.

The Genl Court Martial of which Col Wade
was President is dissolved.

Major Joseph
Folbair Russell is to act as a Volunteer at
the Camp to the Honble Maj Gen Sullivan.

He is to be respected & obeyed according to
M^r John Green is appointed Clerk to the old
General & all written or verbal orders from him
are to be obeyed as coming from the old
General. The Quantity of Carrel that is to be
allowed the troop in this Department is Eight
Pounds for a hundred men p^r week

Head Quarters Providence 27th of July 1778
Field officer for the Day to morrow Lt. Wade
Adj. for the Read Detail, for Guard, as yesterday

Head Quarters Providence 28th of July 1778
Field officer for the Day to morrow Lt. Col.
Peabody Adj. for the Day for the Detail for
Guard, as yesterday

Head Quarters Providence 29th July 1778
Field officer for the Day to morrow Lt.
Col. Wood Adj. for the Day Read Detail,
for Guards as usual

Head Quarters Providence August 3rd 1778
Field officer for the Day to morrow Major
Renolds, Adjutant for the Day for the
Detail, as usual — Brigadier General Conde,
Brigade to consist of Col. George Foyham, and
Jacob, Regiments and Cook & Sneller, Regiment
Militia — Col. Commodore Green, Brigade to
consist of his own Reg. and Col. Wade & Peabody

Rigement and Col^d Mathew's Regiment of
Militia this arrangement to take place as soon
as the troops can be collected to gether —

Head Quarters Providence August 2 1778
Field officer for the Day to morrow Col^d Mathew
for the Day Read & Tail as usual the Clerk
will furnish the Lt Col General the Commissary
General — Commissary of military stores & Major
Selbut master of the Boat with such number
of fatigue men they shall at any time sign
the Division commands by a Major General Mahan
De la Fayette will hold them close in readiness to
March to morrow morning at Sun's the time of
this marching in their Boat will be published in
future order —

Head Quarters Providence August 3 1778
Field officer for the Day to morrow Lieut Col^d
Readey etc, for the Day No day — all the
troops in & nigh towns are directed immediately
to press up their Selms with provisions
for two days exclusive of this day and to be
Ready to march for town at five
o'clock to morrow morning all Invalids
etc

both officers and soldiers, will parade
in front of Head Quarters, this evening at
four o'clock - Col. Lane being sent here by
his excellency General Washington to take
the command of the Artillery in this
Department the Commanding officers of
Regts. & Corps of Artillery will make
an immediate return to him of
all the ordnance & stores under their
Command & will obey such orders & directions
as they shall from time to time
receive from him Col. Lane will make
such disposition of the artillery as he
shall think proper

Head Quarters, Aug. 8th 1778

Return of all the troops to be made at
Head Quarters as soon as possible this evening
in order to make ^{their} return to immediately upon
their arrival a summary return of their
strength to be made as soon as possible for the
purpose of an arrangement the whole of the troops
to furnish them selves to morrow

with three days provision should stand
to be sent out if possible if flowers
only can be procured it must be baked
tomorrow two hundred forty men to
be drafted from those militia men left
able to march immediately who have stood
in for ~~the~~ service those men to be
kept on the side under command of proper
officer for the purpose of doing duty
if they may have joined them all the
light troops Continental or State troops
to be furnished with 50 Round of cartridges
of all those of the militia who are to be
in the first line viz Matheson &
Miller Regt, the rest of the militia to be
furnished with thirty Round, the whole
army to be drawn up to morrow morning
at 6 o'clock at the East side of the pond
Ready to go, to embark into their Boats
proper men to be drafted from each Regiment

Head Quarters Rhode Island August 11th 1778

The whole Army to hold themselves in Readiness to march for Newport tomorrow Morning at 6 O'Clock - One Cannon discharged on the Right of the Front Line will be a Signal for the Troops to parade - Two for them to march by Platoons and form the Columns after which the Discharge of Cannon will be a Signal for the whole to march on - The Officers leading the several Columns are again requested to observe the proper Directions between each Column for the Purpose of displaying with Regularity - Col^o Crane will give Directions respecting the Field Artillery, the Limbs to be struck & loaded with the Baggage and remain upon the Ground of their present Encampment until further Orders - The heavy Artillery to move on with the Reserve Bata in the Rear - The Fusiliers and Grenadiers will follow immediately after - The L^o M^o to see that the Axes & entrenching Tools are forwarded immediately after the Army's Marching - The Pioneers to be draughted for each Brigade and flank Division to level the Fences and Walls before the Head of the Columns - The L^o M^o Gen^l will furnish them with proper Tools for that Purpose - Major Dab^l Lippell is appointed to act as a Volunteer Aid to Major Gen^l Sullivan - He is to be obeyed and respected as such - The whole Army to be under Arms precisely at 4 O'Clock this Afternoon Weather permitting - Those Corps that have no Designation are to parade on the Ground that they now occupy - Major Maurice to act as a Volunteer Aid to Major Gen^l Glover - He is to be obeyed and respected accordingly - The Army will immediately furnish themselves with three Days Provision - A Third Part of which to be cooked immediately - Major General for the Day the Marquis de la Fayette - Brigadier Sherburn, Field Officer Col^o Sprout & Major Bradford, Brigade Major Handy - A Picquet consisting of 400 Men commanded by a Col^o St. George.

A Picquet consisting of 400 Men commanded by
Lt. Col. and 1 Major draughted from the Tenth Line
be paraded in front of Gen. Cornells Brigade - pre-
cisely at 11 O'Clock this forenoon - The Officer of the
Day will wait on the Marguerite at his Quarters at
half past 10 O'Clock this Morning - The Majors of
Brigades will return to their Quarters the Names
of the Field Officers at 6 O'Clock this Evening -
A Waggon with Muffet Cartridges will always keep
between the first and second Lines, when the Army
encamps where Ammunition can be drawn - It
is to be drawn at present from the Redoubts - as
Col. Greene's Orders - August 11th 1778 -

All the Regiments in the Brigade to be para-
ded in front of their respective Encampments -
counted off into Divisions of Twelve Files each &
Officers posted ready to march by Half after
3 O'Clock this Afternoon - They will then wait for
Orders - Nathan Hale & Lorn. Bennet Drum & Life
Majors of Col. Greene's Regiment are appointed Drum
and Life Majors for the Brigade, they are to be
obeyed as such -

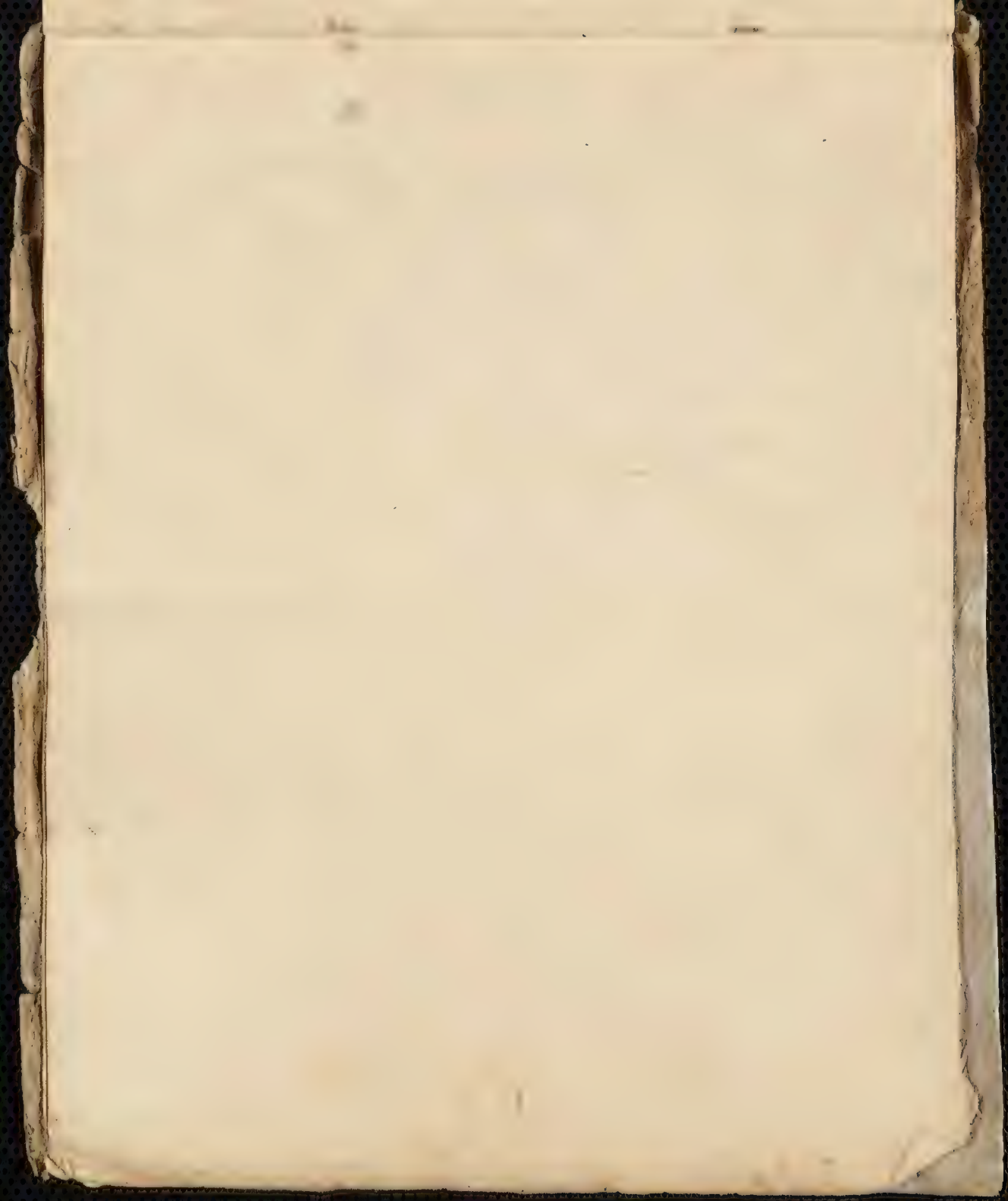
After Orders.

The Commander in Chief of the Army on Rhode-
Island having issued Orders for the Army to
march towards Newport tomorrow Morning at 6
O'Clock - Seizes this Opportunity to return ~~their~~ his
most cordial Thanks to the brave Officers, Volunteers
and Soldiers who have with so much Alacrity repaired
to this Place to give ^{their} assistance in expelling the
British Tyrants from this Country - The Zeal & Spirit
with which they have discovered, owe to Him the most
pleasing Presages of Victory -

and he is happy to find himself now at
the Head of an Army far superior in Number
than that of the Enemy, actuated by a sacred regard
for the Liberties of their Country and fired
with just Repentments against those Barba-
rians who have deluged with innocent blood,
and spread Desolation on every Part of the Continen-
ent, where they have been suffered to march --
The Prospect before us is now exceeding promising.
The several Corps have every thing to animate
and press them on to Victory - The Brave
of the Continental Officers & Soldiers, and the Idea
they must have of the Dependence ^{upon their Bravery} both of the
Army & the Country, stimulates them to support
the Character they have so justly acquired -
Independent Corps & Volunteers who have so
cheerfully come to assist in the Enterprise have
every Inducement to exert themselves to support
their Reputation they have acquired, by flying
so freely to the Relief of their Country -
The State Troops which the Gen. has so long
since had the Honor to command, he has the
strongest Reason to believe they will not
suffer themselves to be outshined in Acts of
Bravery by any Troops in the Army - The
Militia, composed of respectable Freemen and
Citizens of America, who have so bravely
fought & conquered the last year, must now
feel every Inducement to press them on to
Conquest & to Glory - The Character the several
Corps, which compose the Army, the Expectations
of the Country, the Safety of our Land
the Protection of our Property and, in short,
every thing which animates Men to fight and
conquer, calls aloud upon us to act a Part wor-
thy of Freemen and becoming the Character
of Americans - The Gen. on his Part assures
his brave Army that he will with the utmost cheerfulness
share with them in every

of Americans - The Genl on his part answers
his brave words that he will with the utmost cheerfulness
share with them in every Danger and
Fatigue and is ready to venture his Life in
every Instance where the Good of his Country
calls for it - To them and his Country he stands
ready to pledge or to sacrifice his Life if necessary.
And from the brave Officers & Men which he
has the Honor to command, He expects to find
the same Sentiments and Dispositions - True
with the same Sentiments engaged in
just a Cause we must conquer we must win
the Laurels which await us and return in
Triumph to the Arms of a grateful Country.

(10/10/10)



The 29 May AD: 1778

Brigade Cornell was appointed
to take the Command of all the Troops
Stationed on the Eastern Shore Between
Providence and Point Judith Genl
Cot^o to Repair and Take Command as soon
as possible & Col Grane on the Western
Shore from Providence to Point Judith

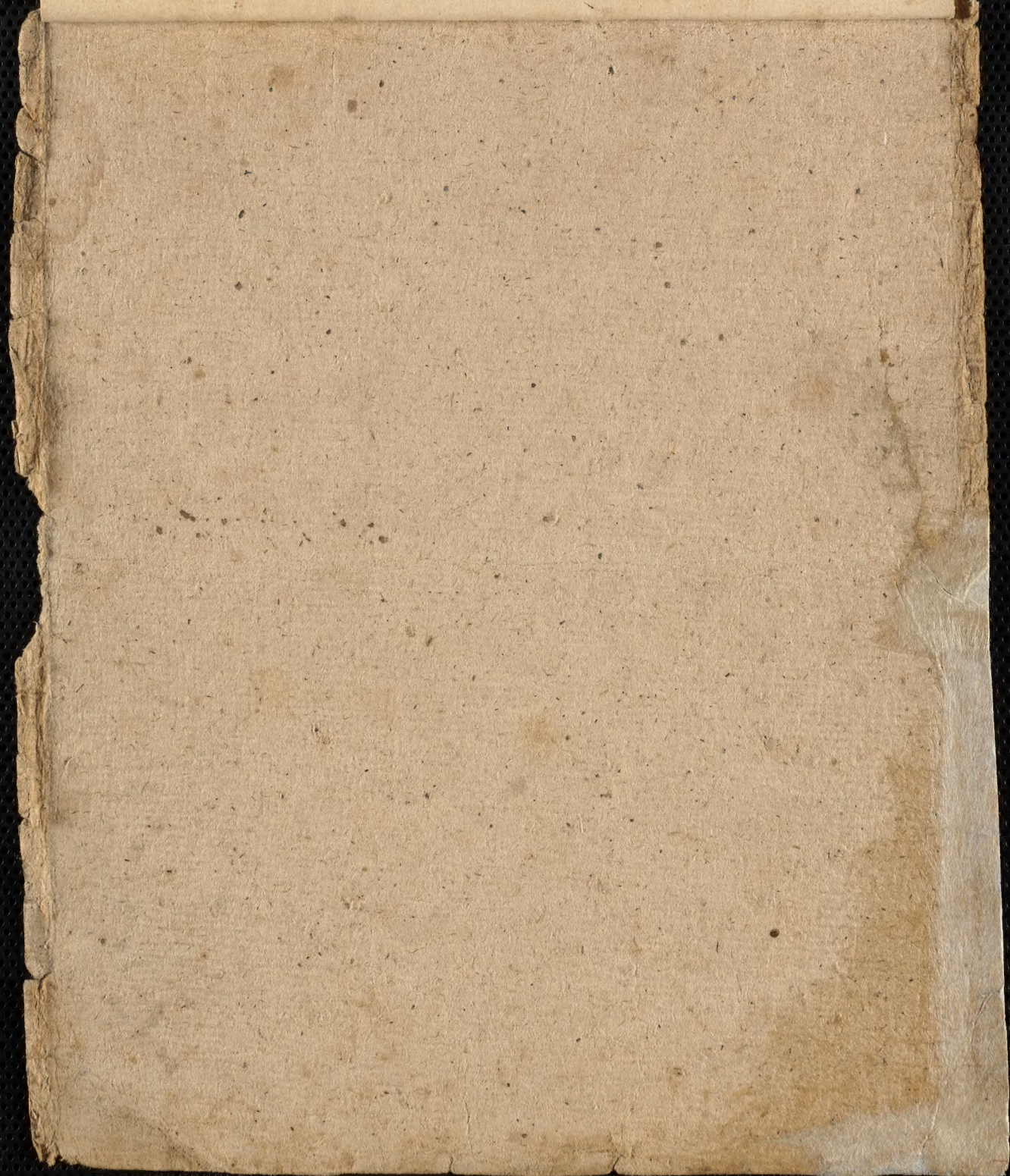
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The town of providence to Asst Franklin
for Extraordinary services Don to the works
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Examined and Allowed the same to be paid out
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